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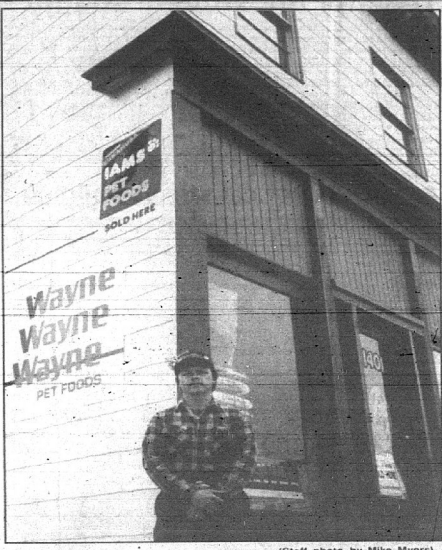
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Michael Antonovich Jr. stands outside his residence.

Third candidacy nixed Candidate ousted from ballot

By Mike Myers
Staff writer

MADISON — Michael Antonovich Jr. was removed from the ballot yesterday, but he plans to ask a judge to put him back on it before the April 2 election.

At issue is Antonovich's building at 1401 Madison Ave., which straddles the boundary line between Madison and Granite City. The building contains Antonovich's business, the Madison Garden Shop, in addition to his residence.

Antonovich filed petitions Jan. 22 to run as an independent for 2nd Ward alderman against Ralph W. Miller, who is running with the Madison Centennial Party slate.

Claiming Antonovich's residence is not within the Madison city limits, James Caffrey filed an objection to Antonovich's candidacy. Caffrey, who is a Madison alderman,

is not up for re-election in April.

The election board, based on its findings at a Feb. 4 hearing, ruled in Caffrey's favor yesterday and ordered Antonovich removed from the ballot. The election board is made up of Mayor John Belleco, City Clerk William Weidner and Alderman Charles Rockett in his role as senior alderman.

"I'm taking it to court," Antonovich said. "I'm the fourth generation to vote in Madison from that building. I ran for alderman two other times, while living in the same place, and nobody said a thing. This time they think I have a chance to win, so they make an issue of it."

Antonovich said he wasn't surprised by the election board decision.

"Look who (the board) is — the mayor, clerk and an alderman — and I'm running against their slate," Antonovich said. "It's like being tried and the ones hearing the

case are the other guy's family. What else could you expect?"

In its decision, the election board refers to separate portions of the building as 1401 Madison Ave., a business section that falls within Madison; and 1401R Madison Ave., a residential section that falls within Granite City.

Antonovich said no such separation actually exists.

"It's all one building at one address," he said. "First they say mailing addresses don't mean anything, which they don't. And then they try to make out like there's two buildings — a 1401 rear — and you can see there is not."

But even using the board's division, Antonovich said, his bedroom is located on the second floor, above the business in the Madison portion of the building.

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Hamm may be sliced too thin

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

MADISON — An opinion issued by the Illinois attorney general's office in 1985 may jeopardize the position of a Madison official, but only if an official complaint is filed.

John W. Hamm III, 43, of 4729 Fourth St., Madison, is president of the Madison School District 12 Board of Education and also a 3rd Ward alderman.

In 1985, then Attorney General Neil Hartigan's office issued an opinion that holding two elective offices can be incompatible, according to Ernie Slottag of Attorney General Roland Burris' office.

Slottag said the opinion deals specifically with school board and aldermanic positions.

Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine said Wednesday, "An attorney general's opinion is

given precedential value ... but is not binding as a decision.

"The rules and opinions surrounding what is and is not compatible ... are confusing," Haine said. "Some are based on actual cases, some on attorney general opinions, and some have been changed by statute."

"My opinion, as state's attorney, is also given great weight ... I have direct enforcement powers," Haine said.

The state's attorney may proceed with enforcement if the public demands, or a request is made to his office. Haine said he will wait until an official inquiry is made before he proceeds.

"No one has asked me for an opinion on Mr. Hamm," Haine said, "and I don't want to issue an opinion until I can review the attorney general's decisions."

Haine said he would prefer it if the request is made by a resident and taxpayer.

"I have a deep and abiding respect for the voters' opinion, and would give that great weight," he said.

According to the 1985 opinion, when an official is sworn in to a second elected office, it is assumed he vacates the previously held position.

Hamm was first elected to the school board in 1985 and was elected as a city alderman in 1987. He was re-elected to the school board in 1989 and is unopposed for re-election to the City Council this spring.

Hamm explained his interest in both the school district and the city government.

"I have kids in the school system, so I have a natural interest in the district. I feel I have accomplished a lot for the school district."

"At the same time, I have a lot of background and feel I can

accomplish a lot for the city as well," he said.

Hamm said he was unsure why the subject has become an issue now, after several years of service to both governing bodies.

"I have no idea why it's been brought up now. I hope to find out. I hope whoever brought it up will deal above board."

Hamm said, "I have never done anything to hurt the city or the school district. We have very few items that deal with the two, and if it even appears that a

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Dozens to testify in grand jury case

By David Migoya
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — Testimony today before a Madison County grand jury looking into the death of Francis E. O'Donnell Sr. likely will revolve around the Belleville real estate developer's barbiturate overdose and his business ties to several other prominent developers.

Sources close to the investigation said 30 to 40 witnesses have been subpoenaed to testify, including Venice native Gary Fears, who was a sometime business partner with O'Donnell and is listed as his largest creditor in bankruptcy papers.

Testimony is expected to take at least six weeks.

The investigation surrounding the 61-year-old developer's death began several weeks ago, after a St. Louis judge ordered O'Donnell's body exhumed for an autopsy. Records show a lethal dose of barbiturates was found in O'Donnell's body.

O'Donnell was found Nov. 17, 1990 lying on a bed in a room at the Quality Inn in Collinsville, apparently the victim of a heart attack. No autopsy was done, although unattended deaths generally are investigated.

A New Jersey-based insurance firm that underwrote a \$1 million policy on O'Donnell's life, said it was not involved in the investigation.

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Haine promises slough action

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — A lawsuit against Dobre Slough developer Stephen Lathrop is "imminent," according to State's Attorney Bill Haine.

Haine said Wednesday a complaint seeking an injunction and fine would be filed today.

Lathrop said yesterday he expected the action, after meeting with Paul Hawkins, county building and zoning official, Feb. 1.

Lathrop, of Granite City, has proposed digging a two-acre lake, 10 feet deep, to enhance drainage, and constructing homes on lots around the lake.

The development includes building within Granite City, which annexed part of the property in 1978, and outside the city, in Madison County's jurisdiction.

The lake is "90 percent finished," according to Lathrop, although he did not receive a permit from either the city or the county before starting.

There have been moratoriums on building in the slough area since the early 1970s. Under provisions of the separate moratoriums, enacted by the County Board and by the East Side Levee and Sanitary District (now the Metro East Sanitary District) at the direction of the Illinois Division of Waterways, persons found guilty of violating the moratoriums risk daily fines of \$5,000 to \$10,000.

Lathrop began digging the lake in November.

Haine would not specify the amount sought by the county in the suit, but said the suit will ask Lathrop to restore the area "to the way it was."

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Special session on property tax reform

By Joe Carroll
Correspondent

SPRINGFIELD — Education, reapportionment and tort reform were near the top of Gov. Jim Edgar's agenda Wednesday in his first "state of the state" address, but property tax reform was his main concern.

He called the General Assembly into a special session to address the property tax issue.

The governor called on lawmakers to pass a law that would prevent local governments from increasing property taxes by more than the rate of inflation.

"Like the families of Illinois have had to do, we are going to live within our means," Edgar said.

"But our local school boards, our municipalities, our local units of government must do their part. Local government for too long has had the power to raise property taxes with abandon and without accountability."

If a local government wanted to raise property tax rates by more than the rate of inflation, it would have to hold a referendum, Edgar proposed.

Rep. Sam Wolf, D-Granite City, said the governor's effort to cap local property taxes would have little effect until the state begins funding schools more adequately.

"This problem is not going to be solved until we replace the

revenue taken away by these limitations," Wolf said. Local governments will simply be forced to ask for referendums when their coffers run dry, he said.

Edgar called the special session in the hope that the General Assembly will act on his request before the end of March.

"It's simple," Edgar said, "it doesn't hamstring our educators and other local officials and it's true property tax relief for our homeowners."

After warning the lawmakers and agency directors assembled to hear his speech on the budget troubles facing the state, Edgar said the existing temporary income tax surcharge should be extended.

"There are those of you who believe all this tough budget talk is a ploy to gather support for extension of the income tax surcharge," Edgar told a packed House chamber. "Let me assure you, this is no ploy. This is reality."

Sen. Frank Watson, R-Greenview, asked the governor to convene an additional special session to address the extension of the income tax surcharge.

"A special session to address only this issue could settle the matter and allow us to get on with other important business we face in this year of war and recession," Watson said in a letter to the governor.

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MY SWEET VALENTINE: Seven-year-old Marc Biggs, a first grader in Pat Hewlett's class at Lake Elementary School, makes a valentine card for his mother. The class was making valentines for family members and friends Wednesday afternoon.

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Florence E. Kempf
Thomas L. Stalcott
Louis E. Miller
Walter C. "Dick" Sparks

Lottery
Results in Illinois were:
Feb. 9: xxx; Pick 4: xxxx
Lotto Game
20 22 26 29 36 39
Feb. 10: 344; Pick 4: 8474
Feb. 11: 584; Pick 4: 1572
Little Lotto Game
08 13 17 21 31
Feb. 12: 130; Pick 4: 6628
Feb. 13: 619; Pick 4: 5165
Lotto Game
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75 years ago
Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1918
Through instructions from the Board of Supervisors, County Auditor Frank Troecker was preparing tabulations to enlighten the taxpayers of Madison County and to show why the county was \$150,000 in debt. His report was to have covered a 40-year period.

Trivia
Do most people feel it's OK to date a co-worker?
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Briefly

Lincoln Day dinner March 9

The annual Madison County Republican Party Lincoln Day Dinner will be held March 9 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 1140 S. 14th St. A social hour will begin at 5:30 p.m. and the dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Gov. Bob Kustra will be the featured speaker. State Sen. Frank Watson and other Madison County Republican officials will attend.

Kustra is a former state representative and state senator. He grew up in St. Louis. The speaker, 47, holds a doctoral degree in political science from the University of Illinois.

Dinner tickets are \$20 and are available from Charlotte Longwisch (259-2634) or Cecil Miller (288-5318).

Freshman parents' nights set

Granite City High School will host Freshman Parents' Night at Coolidge Junior High on Monday, Feb. 18, and at Grigsby Junior High on Monday, Feb. 25.

Eight high-school counselors, two junior-high counselors and several high-school department heads will be available to register current eighth-graders for the first semester of their freshman year. Parents should bring their eighth-graders according to the following schedules:

Honors Night—High School Cafeteria at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 14. Invitations were mailed to qualified students. Honor students need not attend the programs on Feb. 18 or 25.

Parents of Coolidge eighth-graders—Coolidge Cafeteria—Monday, Feb. 18, 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. for last names A-I; 7:15 to 8:30 p.m., last names J-R; 8:30 to 9:15 p.m., last names S-Z.

Parents of Grigsby eighth-graders—Grigsby Cafeteria—Monday, Feb. 25, 6:30 to 7:15 p.m., last names A-I; 7:15 to 8:30 p.m., last names J-R; 8:30 to 9:15 p.m., last names S-Z.

The high-school administration emphasizes that it is important for parents to attend one of these sessions, because they will register their eighth-grade student for high school at that time.

To prepare students for this event, high-school counselors and department chairmen have gone to both junior high schools and conducted freshmen orientation programs with all eighth-graders. Career interest inventories were also administered by the counselors. Parents are receiving information about graduation requirements, vocational classes and registration in the mail.

Formal dress sale Saturday

A formal dress sale will take place Saturday, Feb. 16, at the SUE University Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Admission is \$1. Dresses may be entered at 9 a.m. at a cost of \$5 for one to three dresses and \$2 for additional dresses.

The event is sponsored by and will benefit Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority at the school. For information: 931-3579.

Arts Council director named

The Madison County Arts Council has announced the hiring of Maria Granberry as executive director. She replaces John P. Beecher of Edwardsville, who resigned to pursue a writing career. "My first priority is to make Madison County aware of the wonderful artistic resource it has in the Madison County Arts Council," Granberry said.

A native St. Louisian and 1982 graduate of John Burroughs School in Ladue, Granberry holds a bachelor of science in performance studies from Northwestern University, a master of arts in arts administration and a master of business administration from Southern Methodist University.

She has previously worked with the Hubbard Street Dance Company in Chicago, the Dallas Black Dance Theater and the Dallas Zoological Society.

The Madison County Arts Council, founded in 1961, provides educational programs to students throughout the county.

GC Campus dance classes

The Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College is offering ballroom dance classes beginning Tuesday, Feb. 26. Class time is from 1 until 2:30 p.m. Fox trot, waltz, swing, polka and rhumba are some of the dances to be taught. Advance registration is required, at 1-800-BAC-5131.



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Drug possession alleged

Douglas David Williams, 26, of the 4900 block of Willow Avenue was arrested on a warrant and other charges at 3:24 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 9.

Authorities said Williams' vehicle was stopped in the 3500 block of Nameoki Road and he was found to have a warrant on file, alleging failure to appear on a charge of driving while his license was suspended.

Six cannabis cigarette butts were found in an ashtray in Williams' car, it was alleged. He was charged with unlawful possession of cannabis.

While at the booking area at police headquarters, Williams allegedly became verbally abusive and assumed a fighting stance, raising a clenched fist at an officer.

As a result, he was further charged with assault.

4 charges against man

Elizabeth Leibold of the 2100 block of Lincoln Avenue told police officers that Harold C. Garrigus, 49, choked her and took her 1979 Ford Pinto automobile following an argument at 5:20 p.m. Feb. 9.

Officers said they found him at East 24th Street and Bromley Avenue, where he allegedly left the vehicle in the roadway and walked away.

An officer secured the vehicle, which he reported contained an open whiskey bottle on the floor, and questioned Garrigus.

Garrigus was arrested and booked for battery, illegal transportation of alcohol, driving while his license was revoked, and driving without insurance.

Parked vehicle looted

Vera Saggio of the 2500 block of Center Street reported an unknown person broke a rear window of her auto the night of Feb. 11 and took a calculator valued at \$29, a radar detector worth \$200 and an unknown number of coins from the vehicle. A rear-view mirror and window handle were also broken.

Air conditioner stolen

Ruby A. Corbett of the 2300 block of The Anchorage reported that unknown persons removed a 15,000-Btu window air conditioner worth \$365 from her rear patio between midnight and 8 a.m. Feb. 11.

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Sexual abuse charged

Robert G. Smith, 28, of the 1100 block of Greenwood Street, Madison, was arrested at 3:40 p.m. Feb. 7 on a warrant charging aggravated criminal sexual abuse.

Smith is alleged to have taken sexual improprieties with a 13-year-old Granite City girl in September and October.

Madison County Circuit Judge A. A. Mateosian set bond at \$50,000. Smith was arrested while he was at the Lanter Company in Madison.

\$1,100 window broken

Francis A. Hawk of the 3100 block of Princeton Drive reported to police a large picture window, valued at \$1,100, was broken by a mud ball thrown at the residence between 5 p.m. Feb. 5 and 7 a.m. Feb. 6.

Doors pried by burglar

Fred B. Stlich of the 2200 block of Benton Street reported that, between 11 p.m. Feb. 5 and 10 a.m. Feb. 6, someone entered his garage through an open door, pried a hasp off a door leading to a room in the garage, and then pried a hasp off a closet door in the room. Nothing was reported missing.

Wallet and \$980 taken

Richard J. Krumrey Jr. of St. Louis reported his wallet was taken from his unlocked auto, parked in front of Krumrey's Furniture, 1305 19th St., between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Feb. 1.

The missing wallet contained \$980 cash.

Arrested for burglary

Timothy D. Briley, 17, of the 1900 block of Johnson Road was arrested at 2:45 p.m. Feb. 7 on a burglary warrant.

The warrant relates to a burglary at the Church of God, 1205 W. Pontoon Road, on Jan. 21, authorities said. Bond was set at \$20,000.

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Fire on Maryville Road investigated

A fire involving a semi-trailer parked next to J and J Liquor store, 3112 Maryville Road, early Sunday is being classified as suspicious in nature.

The fire department received a call from a witness, who said he was driving north on Maryville Road at 1:30 a.m. when he saw flames coming from the rear of J and J. The witness went to the site and said he observed a trailer, a 1972 Pullman Trainmobile, burning on the east side of the building.

John E. Hadley of Edwardsville, owner, reported the trailer contained storage shelves but had no electrical power.

The trailer sustained internal damage and damage to the roof. The extent of the damage has not yet been estimated.

The fire was listed as suspicious because the witness saw a door on the west side open, and because Hadley said he "has been the victim of a number of recent trash dumpster fires."

Teacher hit, student sought

Madison County State's Attorney William Haine issued a warrant Wednesday for the arrest of a Venice youth who allegedly struck a Madison High School teacher Monday afternoon.

Karlemus Napoleon Leonard, 17, of the 1300 block of Oriole Street, was charged with one count of aggravated battery.

Leonard, a Madison High School student, allegedly used his fists to strike teacher Paul Garro in the face.

Arrested after car strikes building

Emalene "Jane" Fears Tolhurst, 42, of Collinsville, a teacher at Wilson School in Granite City, was arrested at 8:30 p.m. Feb. 7 and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and failure to give aid or information.

Officers responded to a call at Lee's Famous-Recipe Chicken Restaurant, 3516 Nameoki Road, in reference to a vehicle striking the building. Several witnesses directed police to a gray 1982 Honda Prelude, which was pulling away from the building.

The Prelude turned right from Garfield Avenue onto Nameoki Road and, according to police, crossed both northbound traffic lanes while drifting to the left and right. An officer then activated a siren.

The vehicle again drifted to the left and turned right on Richmond Avenue, where it stopped. The officer noted extensive damage to the left front of the car.

When he asked Tolhurst why she was driving away from an accident, she allegedly replied she had not been in an accident.

The officer asked her to exit the car, and she said she had consumed several glasses of wine but could drive.

She was transported to the police station, where she was booked and posted her driver's license and \$102 cash bail.



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CLEAN SWEEP

MCT replaces two routes

Madison County Transit Chairman Nelson Hagnauer has announced that two Bi-State routes will be replaced with a new lower fare route, the Venice-SIU shuttle on March 11.

The Agency for Community Transit will operate its familiar Kelly Green and white shuttles on the new route. A/C shuttles are wheelchair or lift-equipped and have lower floors than traditional buses.

"We are pleased to provide our lower floor, lower fare buses to the residents of Venice," said Hagnauer. "At MCT, we've made a commitment to provide fixed-route service to all unincorporated areas of the Transit District. We're glad that the Venice service could be accomplished so soon because many of the Venice residents are dependent upon public transportation."

Starting March 11, Venice residents will be able to access all parts of the Tri-Cities for only 25 cents and have direct trips to Nameoki Village and SIUE.

The Venice-SIU Shuttle will begin operating in place of two discontinued Bi-State bus routes—the #333 Granite-Venice-East St. Louis and #508 Edwardsville-Cross County. The

new Venice-SIU Shuttle consolidates these Bi-State routes into one route, using basically the same route and schedule.

The new route extends from the SIU campus in Edwardsville to Mitchell and B&C. It continues via Nameoki (serving the busy shopping district) to Downtown Granite City (with a time-point at Woolworth's), through Madison, Venice, Brooklyn and

ending at the future Metro Link light rail station in East St. Louis.

Buses will operate every hour from about 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays. On Saturdays, buses operate every hour from about 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. There is no Sunday service. (The #333 and #508 Bi-State routes did not provide Sunday service.)

New amateur radio license approved, classes to begin

The Federal Communications Commission recently approved a new license class that is the radio license without a Morse code requirement.

This new Technician Class license offers all present operating privileges above 30 MHz, for the amateur radio VHF, UHF and microwave bands. No short-wave privileges are included, but the "new" Technician license may later pass code testing for them.

The examination is 35 questions on electronics theory, federal

regulations and good operating practices.

The FCC has set a charge of \$5.25 for the examination.

The Egyptian Radio Club, W8ATL, offers its Novice-Technician course starting on Thursday, Feb. 14, at 7 p.m. in Room 312 at the Granite City center of Belleville Area College. There is no charge for the instruction, but students should purchase study materials.

Amateur radio testing is offered by the radio club. For information, call 634-2038.



OMNI BANK OPENS: John L. McDonald Jr., center, president of Omni Bank, watches as Pontoon Beach Mayor Glen Wilson cuts loose a ribbon of balloons opening the bank at 5111 Illinois 111 on Tuesday morning. In background is Ralph Ellsworth, a bank director, and at far right is Irvin Slate Jr., and original organizer of the financial institution. Spearheaded by McDonald, organization of the bank took nearly four years.

Party chair will be filled by March

A battle could be shaping up for leadership of the Madison County Republican Party.

Dr. Edward Ragsdale of Godfrey, Janet Wilson of Granite City and Robert Furmanek of Collinsville have all expressed interest in the post.

Republican precinct committee and committeewomen will select a chairman March 18 in Edwardsville.

Ragsdale assumed the chairmanship on an interim basis last month when Godfrey lawyer J. Thomas Long resigned, citing additional demands of his law practice.

Furmanek said Ragsdale probably is the front-runner but that could change before the vote. He also said he would not be surprised if one or two more candidates decided to seek the post.

able and energetic person" wanted it. "I'm not thirsting for the job," he said.

Ragsdale was county GOP chairman from 1976 to 1986.

Ragsdale said that if he were elected chairman, he would involve more people in county politics.

"I'd like to bring (former State Rep.) Ron Stephens and (Madison County Treasurer) John Shimkus into the process. If we can work cooperatively and achieve some things, I wouldn't mind staying on."

Shimkus, elected treasurer in November, was the first Republican to win countywide office since 1980.

Wilson, vice chairman of the

Republicans' Granite City district, said that while Ragsdale and Long have made contributions to the county party, "it's time for some changes."

One change she proposes is giving women a more important role in decision making.

"I think women need to be listened to," Wilson said. "They do the work. They need to be heard. If this isn't going to be a party for all of the people, then I don't belong here."

The county party also needs to be organized better, she said, adding that its support for statewide candidates last year was disorganized.

— From the Alton Telegraph



(Staff photo by Pam Dempsey-Murdi)

CITRUS ASSIST: Granite City Rotary President Ray Morgan holds a check for \$9,000, representing money donated by Rotarians to this year's community project fund. The money was raised by selling citrus prior to Christmas. Standing, from left, are Mac Warfield and Rod Flood, citrus committee members; Morgan; and Loren Davis, citrus committee chairman. Seated, from left, are John Talgiron and Bill Terrell, two members of the top-selling citrus team.

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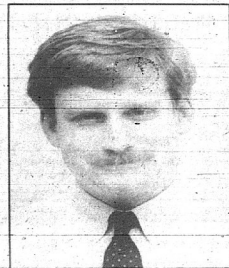
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Editorials

Tough tax talk lies ahead

The plight of all governmental entities within Illinois is apparent: They all need cash.

No matter where lawmakers turn in coming months, the subject of taxation will continue to raise its head. The biggest single issue now facing them is whether to make permanent the "temporary" 20 percent income tax surcharge, set to expire June 30.

We say, unequivocally, yes.

The surcharge provides about \$350 million to elementary and high schools across the state and an additional \$350 million to local governments. There are those who see the political expediency of letting the tax die, but to do so would be to watch hundreds of school and municipal bodies across Illinois endure needless financial suffering.

There are also those who feel extension of the tax on a temporary basis would be a better compromise, but putting off the inevitable makes no sense either. The same, tired arguments would surface again in two years.

There are also those who feel education should get the lion's share of the money, but diverting from a formula that has proven successful would be to take a step backward.

We encourage House and Senate leadership to accept facts. The surcharge, however painful, is better than watching cities and schools die. Lawmakers would do better addressing the waste in state government than they would in killing a good source of revenue. If, during the process, they find a way to adopt some form of property tax relief that still doesn't decrease the amount of revenue coming in, we'll take it.

New overtime rule studied

Amid all the other financial concerns of local and state governments is a Jan. 22 U.S. Supreme Court ruling. The court refused to shield local governments from being forced to pay billions of dollars in overtime to their employees.

The justices rejected an appeal by Kern County in California. The county had been ordered to pay overtime to its fire battalion chiefs, and the high court's agreement with the order is being interpreted as having nationwide impact.

It isn't necessary to take sides about overtime fairness or unfairness to visualize the complications that may arise from the court decision. There may be higher costs, less service or, more likely, both higher costs and less service for the taxpayer public.

Almost all the Kern County chiefs, along with most fire department personnel there, work 144 hours over an 18-day period. The issue was whether the chiefs are executives, and courts say they are not, making them eligible for time-and-a-half pay after 136 hours. Based on this finding, Los Angeles County has determined that its liability alone totals at least \$170 million.

Across the nation, many governmental employees already receive overtime pay or compensatory time off. In the background is a 1985 U.S. Supreme Court ruling that the federal Fair Labor Standards Act's minimum-wage and overtime provisions apply to states, counties and municipalities. Congress later changed the law.

Now, lawmakers again will be asked to review the Standards Act and enact further modifications.

The potential effect of the new decision is enormous.

Empty beer bottles could stir Saddam into surrender

According to one organization, America could delay a ground war in the Persian Gulf until our pilots have had the chance to use a bombing of their predecessors in World War II — the "wailing" beer bottle.

Beer Drinkers of America (an organization that has been trying for years to recruit me and I can't for the life of me figure out why) said "recycling empty beer bottles on unsuspecting Japanese in the Pacific" struck terror in the hearts of the enemy.

The bottles didn't do much damage, but the racket they made was so unenvying the ground warriors couldn't help but look for the nearest exit from the battle zone.

Wind pressure supposedly will cause an empty beer bottle to emit a high-pitched scream as it plummets to earth.

If we could figure out a way of jetting empty bottles over Baghdad, the military victory might come quicker. The key, I think, would be to avoid light beer.

Taking the beer issue one step further, American troops only wish they could get a beer these days. That pleasure, and many others are hard to come by in the Middle East. They are among the many "wishes" frowned upon by the culturally unique Arab kingdom.

Navy men are among those who find it easier to get a beer, as they sail the coastal waters outside the realm of Saudi religious and governmental restrictions on alcohol. Skippers sometimes declare "beer day," and everyone receives up to two bottles. I'm told the availability is still nothing to write home about.

In other parts of the military, desert-bound troops are receiving shipments of non-alcoholic beer, which, I guess, is better than nothing.

You may be among the many people who still don't know our new war has an official name. According to the Associated Press, a survey of those affected in the Middle East has resulted in dubbing the conflict, "The Persian Gulf War."

Some people have commented that they thought World War III was more appropriate, but we'll never see anyone officially use that designation. By most accounts, the term "World War III" denotes an event so cataclysmic that it could only be the end of the world.

And, although we shudder to think about World War III, there are many who expect that event to come sometime after the Persian Gulf War, since this is actually the first time that three of the world's leading religious cultures, Islam, Judaism and Christianity, have clashed in such fashion. Many are finding Biblical links with what is happening in the gulf and what will happen at "the end." (For instance, somewhere in the Bible there is a passage about the world lasting for hundreds of years, but there is no reference to "thousands.") Some people take that to mean our world will never see the year 2000.)

One last thought: When Saddam Hussein named the Republican Guard, did he really have George Bush in mind?

Dennis Grubaugh is executive city editor of the Illinois Journal.



THE RECESSION IS ALMOST OVER, THE DEFICIT IS GOING TO DISAPPEAR AND THE ECONOMY IS IN WONDERFUL SHAPE...

Cleared by Bush Budget Department Censors

Letters

Thomas rates kind words from reader

To the editor:

The following is addressed to the citizens of the Tri-Cities and surrounding area.

In reference to what I believe is a raw deal being given to a man who is of very good character, namely Bob Thomas, I would like to name just a few of his many good-hearted kindnesses. I am sure there are many more.

In 1985 I was at a wake of my ex-mother-in-law at one of Bob's competitor's mortuaries. They brought in another body of a lady I was acquainted with. When this competitor was told there was no insurance or money at all to bury her, her body wasn't touched. Bob was called by her family; with no questions asked concerning money, he took over the burial.

Another good deed happened in 1989 when my children's father died suddenly; we sent him to Thomas's. There was very little insurance. Bob told the family that the final \$1,600 that they owed was waived, and just to forget about it.

He is the poor man's friend when one is needed. He is a man who, as Grandma would say, "hasn't gotten above his raising."

So, please, get behind him and support him. You may need a man with a heart sometime and believe me, they are few and far between.

MARGIE (SHEMONIA) MONTINE, Madison
BRENDA CLARK
BEVERLY ADAMS

Senior citizens thank students

To the editor:

My husband and I want to personally thank the members of the Granite City Student Council for having such a lovely party for the "seniors." Not many senior citizens get to go to a prom in their lifetime.

The music and the food were wonderful and the gym was decorated beautifully. This party was very well planned and the members were very outgoing and friendly.

A part of our own personal history is through, but I hope we can find the words to say what's on our mind and in our heart to thank these wonderful young people.

VAN AND JIM STUART
Granite City

Honor troops in local newspaper

To the editor:

This opportunity is being taken to recognize the outstanding number of Granite City residents who are displaying such sincere support for our troops in the Persian Gulf.

As a laborer for the Granite City Street Department, I'm attentive to the goings-on of this city, and I cannot help but notice the overwhelming support for our troops through homemade signs, ribbons, stars, and the waving of our American flag.

The immense support for our troops is truly heartfelt, and it's inspiring to see that the citizens are behind our American troops, which are comprised, in part, of our own local townsmen.

At this point in time, I feel it would be appropriate for the Granite City Press-Record/Journal to put together a listing of local residents who are current members of the armed forces

Thomas rates kind words from reader

currently deployed in the Persian Gulf under Operation Desert Storm.

ROGER A. KNOBELOCH JR.
Granite City

Servicemen moved by class letters

To the editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Marilyn Ronney and all of the students at Frohardt School who have participated in sending letters and packages to the troops in Saudi Arabia.

My brother, Technical Sgt. Jim Thurman, a former student of Mrs. Ronney, was deeply moved by the thoughtfulness and concern that each has shown for the troops.

Many at home will never know the loneliness that these men and women have experienced, and it touches their hearts to know that we are supporting them.

Just as the soldiers serve our country, through fighting, so do the students serve, by lifting the morale of many. May God bless you all!

MARCIE MOUTRIA
Granite City

Delightful event for senior citizens

To the editor:

On Jan. 19, a "Senior Citizens Prom" was held at the Granite City High School Memorial Gymnasium.

This beautiful event was sponsored by the Student Council of the High School under the guidance of Steve Hamilton, counselor.

Donations made by local merchants and businesses enabled the students to prepare and serve refreshments. And there were awards of prizes donated by businesses.

Music for dancing was performed by Four Of A Kind and was enjoyed by approximately 350 persons.

These youths are to be commended for their time and effort in putting together this occasion. To all who participated in this delightful event, heartfelt thanks are extended. We are very proud of you.

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Gaudette using double standard

To the editor:

To the people of Pontoon Beach: (Candidate for president of the Village Board) Ray Gaudette is passing out a letter to the citizens of Pontoon Beach about how the village is progressing wrongly.

Why do people react after the fact? What was Gaudette at all of the village meetings as treasurer? He had to know where the money was going; why didn't he speak up then?

Why does everyone who is running for a different office have to resign the office they're filling, except Gaudette. Ask Gaudette, he's going to appoint as treasurer if he wins. Why are the books of Pontoon Beach in his name, instead of the clerk's office?

JIM HILL, Pontoon Beach

Anthem in Chicago was very moving

To the editor:

In the Jan. 24 paper, Bill Winters wrote about the national anthem that was played before the NHL All-Star Game. I was in the stands at Chicago Stadium and the Anthem was indeed a moving experience.

However, it should be noted that he was only partly right. In his column he stated that "video tapes of the spontaneous reaction undoubtedly will be replayed for many years." The anthem was emotional but it was not spontaneous.

It was simply Chicago's way of doing things. The same reaction to the anthem occurred before Friday night's competition. And as St. Louis Blues' fans well know, the anthem is a spectacle before every hockey game that the Blackhawks play.

JAMES MOULDON, Granite City

What rock music really does

To the editor:

I was not at all surprised to read in your editorial that rock music doesn't affect people. My research and knowledge on this matter is quite the opposite. It is a scientific fact that affects one's personality and attitude. Today's rock stars don't care for the welfare of their fans. If they did, there would be no constant favoritism towards incest, free sex, rebellion towards parents, satanism, drugs, alcohol and suicide.

It is one thing that Satan has used to brainwash and manipulate the lives and souls of our younger generation. If it feels good, do it. But there is a price we must all pay for such conduct.

God's word tells us in Proverbs 3:3-5. That he will bless those who find wisdom and gaining knowledge in such matters. If we are to win the battle against what these musicians are doing, we must speak out and expose the purpose of these groups. The problem is we don't care and don't want to get involved.

Hel's Bells is a two-part

Parents helped drivers' efforts

To the editor:

The past weeks, we have all had our fill of bad weather, icy streets and busy parking lots. It's a healthy population than to have children learn the importance of good health habits at an early age.

We believe all citizens of Madison County should appreciate the enthusiasm and the professionalism of their elected educational leader, Harry Briggs.

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JIM HILL, Pontoon Beach

Lifestyle

Maxine Green

Seniors sing, enjoy fellowship

Maxine Green covers the Granite City and Nameoki Township area for the Press-Record-Journal. She can be contacted at 931-6256.

The senior citizen members of the Madison County Baptist Association "Saints Alive" held their quarterly meeting Feb. 4 in the Madison First Baptist Church.

Bob Lewis opened the meeting by welcoming guests and members and thanked the pastor and church members for use of the church building—and also the women who served the potluck dinner.

Music was presented by Eva Barrow, who was accompanied by Louise Acoccks at the piano. Vera Ridgeway led the group in singing.

Dr. Elwyn Wilkinson, pastor of the Third Baptist Church and coordinator for the group, presented plans for the coming year. Myra Grote, vice president, led prayer requests and prayer, followed by the secretary's report.

LaVerna Corbitt spoke on "Guilt and Judgement," and the Rev. John Knapp, pastor of the Madison church, gave a devotional on senior adults, "Strengthening and Fellowship."

Members present were: Vera Kirkpatrick, Norma Eaves, Mary Link, Naomi James, Nora Birtley, Bob Graves, Norma Rains, Bill James, Vilma Neimeyer, Pauline Harp, Delores Hillis, Cletus Bardsley, Virgie and Olive Staggall, Fay Soulas, Gertrude Sullivan, Pearl Peters, Jim Ridgeway, Mary Hoover, Gen and Phyllis Knight, Jean Hargraves, and Earl and Gerty Spalding.

The next meeting is planned for July 1 at the Calvary Baptist Church.

Mary Reed, Margaret Chadwick, Ray Jones and Gertrude Leary celebrated their birthdays at the Heritage House. Friends helping them celebrate were: Helen Floyd, Dorothy Teller, Gerrie Meyenburg, Hsieh Jones, Olive Joyner, C.D. Smith, Zane Miller, Hilda McMaisters, Evelyn Miles and Leora Chamberford.

The Granite City Area Ministers' Alliance will meet on March 29 at the First Presbyterian Church, 22nd Street and Delmar Avenue.

The Madison County Sports Hall of Fame Association Committee is seeking names of athletes who may be eligible for the Hall of Fame. Those interested may call Al Barnes, coordinator, Apt. A, 2103 Amos, or call 452-0433. Nominees will be announced on the first Friday in May.

Students Activities of the Granite City Campus of Belleville Area College is sponsoring a "Blast Into the Past" Dance with music from the '50s and '60s. The dance will be from 8 p.m. to midnight March 1 at the AMVETS Hall, 1711 Kennedy. Madison. Tickets are \$5 if purchased in advance, or will be \$7.50 at the door.

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Eks see their dream come true

300 help dedicate new lodge

By Dennis Grubaugh
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — A tradition of service was saluted Saturday night when almost 300 people gathered to help the local Elks order dedicate its new lodge at 4801 Maryville Road.

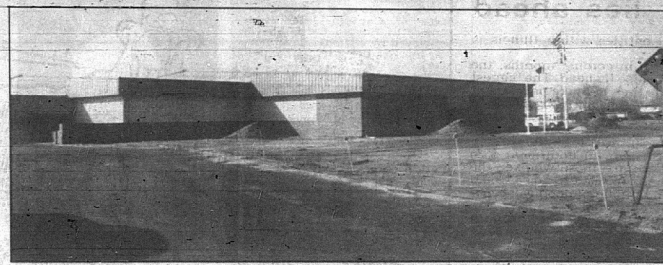
A three-day weekend called an end to almost 16 years of planning for the Elks, who have long needed a more modern facility than the old lodge at 1329 Niedringhaus. Elks built the site in 1917 on property given to a member of the Niedringhaus family, one of the city's founders. The Elks were first chartered in 1907.

"We began 16 years ago with a bingo program on Monday nights, starting to raise money on the new lodge that way," said Paul Schrage of Granite City, exalted ruler of Lodge 1063.

The new lodge's cost was \$750,000, a far cry from the cost in 1917, when building and fixtures combined cost the lodge \$45,000.

The lodge is now looking for a buyer for the old site, Schrage said.

The new location has several



THE NEW ELKS LODGE at 4801 Maryville Road in Granite City

advantages, Schrage said. All operations are now located on one level, instead of three. Parking, which once was wherever you could find a spot, now is on a large, convenient lot. And the facilities, from the bar to the kitchen to the dining, lounge, game and meeting rooms, are all modern, if not larger.

The building is secured by a private entry system, operable only by member cards.

Of more than one occasion, Lodge 1063 attempted to buy the Arlington Golf Course for its new location, but after those negotiations fell through, members

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YOUNG Bobby Meszaros looks up at his father Bob Meszaros, local knight from Granite City. Others are Robert Sabini, and with backs to camera, Bill Grimes, current grand esteemed leading knight; and John Moreiko, special deputy to the grand exalted ruler.



MEMBERS OF THE ELKS STAFF include Wendy Ruts; Debby Turner, Dawn Johnson, Sue Johnson and Shirley Holman, all of Granite City.

Photos courtesy Henson Photo Services



PAST GRAND Exalted Ruler Robert Sabini, left, accepts a gift from Granite City Elks Exalted Ruler Paul Schrage for appearing at the dedication.



CONGRESSMAN JERRY COSTELLO shakes hands with Joyce Hrabusky, wife of Marty Hrabusky, the southwestern district vice president. Others with back to camera are Shirley Selbert, far left, and husband Roland, past district deputy.

Lucille Martin

Valentine's Day service, party set

Lucille Martin covers the Pontoon Beach scene for the Press-Record-Journal. She can be contacted at 931-0731.

Members of the Pontoon Baptist Church will hold their regular monthly LaCasha meeting at 7 p.m. Friday at Ravanelli's Restaurant in Granite City. It will be a combination Valentine's Day party and prayer service. All church members are invited.

Susan Miller, chairman, has announced that the first meeting for Mitchell School's Picnic '91 will be held at 7 p.m. Feb. 21 in the ball room at the rear of the school gymnasium.

Miller hopes that this year's Mitchell School picnic will be the best ever.

She is seeking volunteers to help for a picnic committee.

If you cannot attend this meeting, have an idea or suggestion, please contact Susan at her home on South Drive in Pontoon or call 831-4188. If anyone is interested in having a morning meeting, please contact Tammy Forrester, co-chairman, at 797-6627.

The Pontoon Lions Club will sponsor the annual Valentine Banquet for the Senior Citizens of Pontoon Beach at 7 p.m. Valentine's Day (today) at the Senior Citizen Hall. Regular members are invited to attend.

Pontoon Beach has a new Omni Bank!

One hundred and fifty-seven local investors, friends and neighbors have joined together and created the newest bank in this area, on Illinois 111 and Interstate 270.

On the board of directors are Floyd Foreman, Anne State, Ralph Ellsworth, Velda Taylor, Harold Tracy, Joseph Hauser, Sam Hopkins, Edna Miller and President John L. McDonald.

The bank, which opened Tuesday, will have lobby banking hours. The lobby is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Wednesday; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday; and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday.

Drive-through service is from 8 a.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. The grand opening will continue all week, with balloons and gifts for all and a registration to win a Schwinn 10-speed bike.

Book sale Feb. 16

The Friends of the Tri-Township Public Library District, 209 S. Main, Troy, will hold its next regularly scheduled book sale from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Feb. 16 from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Most books and magazines sell for 10 cents each.

Several boxes of used books that have never been seen on our sale shelves before have been donated recently and have been placed on the shelves for this sale.

World's Fair still uncertain but Olympic-style games are on the way

February traditionally is a busy time.

Already this week, we've had Lincoln's birthday, Shrove Tuesday, Mardi Gras, Ash Wednesday, the start of Lent, and Valentine's Day.

This month also has been notable for an announcement in Texas on Feb. 1.

The St. Louis area, including Metro East, will be the site of the U.S. Olympic Festival in 1994, placing this area in the running in 2004 for a combined international Olympics and World's Fair.

THE ONLY GUARANTEE so far is the summer 1994 national competition, but will offer a full spectrum of Olympic-type amateur athletic rivalry, totaling 37 events.

About 3,500 Americans will "go for the gold" (medals) over a 10-day or two-week period.

Key preliminary steps will include financing and constructing a velodrome for bicycle races and an aquatic center for swimming and diving.

THE METRO-ST. LOUIS Festival Organizing Committee has chosen Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville as the tentative site for wrestling and for track and field.

The SIUE campus also is a possible site for baseball, a new Olympic sport.

The Great River Road between Alton and Grafton is to be used for bicycling time trials.

JIM BUCK, SIUE vice president for development and public affairs, says St. Louis' selection by the Olympic Committee is "a great thing for SIUE and for the entire St. Louis area, a coordinated effort between Illinois and Missouri (that) bodes well for the future."

Buck thinks the SIUE Vandalene Center is almost assured of being the wrestling site because of SIUE's experience with wrestling tournaments.

National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II wrestling championships were held at SIUE in 1986 and 1987.

If SIUE is to be the track site, it must first build a new stadium



Bill Winter

seating about 10,000 people.

THE U.S. OLYMPIC Committee at this point favors holding the track events at Washington University because most of the athletes will live there during the festival. WU's track needs only to be reconditioned; SIUE's present track is not viewed as suitable.

"If SIUE and the state of Illinois come up with a world-class track-and-field facility, we will hold it (at SIUE)," an organizing committee official told the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch*.

Buck says the state probably would have to pay for it if a new stadium is constructed at SIUE, and he concedes there currently is a state governmental budget

squeeze. Private donations could provide another option.

SENATOR SAM Vadalabene of Edwardsville reports the Legislature will discuss the stadium idea and he will meet with SIUE President Earl Lazerson and Gov. Jim Edgar on the project.

Dale Neuburger, assistant athletic director of the joint Indiana University-Purdue University campus in Indianapolis, estimates the 12,000-seat track stadium built for the 1982 U.S. Olympic Festival there cost \$5.9 million.

SIUE's Roy E. Lee Field may be used for baseball. Busch Stadium probably won't be used because the U.S. Olympic Committee prefers grass fields over artificial turf.

The festival committee plans to hold weightlifting events at Belleville Area College and yachting on Carlyle Lake.

ECONOMIC IMPACT studies indicate the festival may bring anywhere from \$27 million to \$100 million to the bi-state area, depending on the amount of new

construction needed.

Sites for aquatic contests and a cycling arena have not been selected, but most of the Olympic Festival events are likely to be conducted at a network of 14 locations:

Forest Park (site of the 1994 World's Fair), Washington U., SIUE, St. Peters, Mo., Parks College (of St. Louis U.) in Cahokia, Kiel Auditorium, the Arena, University of Missouri at St. Louis, Queeny Park, Shaw Park in Clayton, BAC, Alton-Grafton, Carlyle Lake and possibly the Pontoon Beach/Collinsville area.

JIM BOGART, manager of public and governmental affairs for Cencom Cable, says "this area's newly won 'membership in the Olympic family' makes our bi-state region a credible bidder for many of the high-profile amateur sports events that usually are not held in or around St. Louis."

"Now that we have this, this puts us on the AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) map and on the NCAA (National Collegiate Ath-

letic Association) map," he told the *Journals*.

"Our whole idea was to put St. Louis on the map with respect to the Olympic Committee and the governing bodies of various sports," comments Gary Heifetz, chairman of the St. Louis group that met with USOC officials in Dallas.

"One of the greatest accomplishments that we've done is in going from a non-entity (in amateur sports) to a favorite city."

OLYMPIC OFFICIALS certainly have voiced kind words about this region in recent days.

"The key element to St. Louis' bid was a good balance of private and public support, a vision of ongoing support for the Olympic movement, for the athletes, the national governing bodies (of individual sports groups), and a future for youth," says Don Porter, a member of USOC's Festival Committee.

"They (the residents of this area) want to leave a legacy for young people in their communities long after the Festival,"

Family

Rodgers-Moutria

Angela Fay Rodgers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rodgers of Granite City and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Williams of Tacoma, Wash., and Steven Eric Moutria, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Moutria of Granite City, have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

The bride-to-be is a 1989 graduate of Captain John High School at Hoopa, Calif. She is employed by National Supermarket in Granite City as a deli clerk.

Her fiancé is a 1987 graduate of Granite City High School and is employed by Union Electric in St. Louis in building service. The couple is planning a June 15 wedding at City Temple in Granite City.



Angela Rodgers and Steven Moutria



Mr. and Mrs. Isaiah Forehand Jr.
Forehand-Ensor

Grace Ann Ensor and Isaiah Forehand Jr. (like) were married Dec. 8, 1990, at the residence of John and Sheryl Forrest in Madison by the Rev. Denny Brown.

The bride is the daughter of Frank and Rosemary Ensor of Granite City and the groom is the son of Isaiah and Betty Forehand Sr. of New Douglas, Ill.

The matron of honor was Sheryl Forrest of Madison.

The best man was John Forrest of Madison, the groom's cousin.

A reception was held at the home of John and Sheryl Forrest.

The bride is a Granite South High School 1984 graduate.

The groom attended Granite South High School and is employed by Remco, Inc. of St. Louis, Mo., as a laborer.

Range-Moses

Susan Catherine Range, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome L. Range, of Granite City, and John Anthony Moses, son of Mrs. Betty Moses and the late Joseph Moses of Lexington, Mo., have announced their engagement.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Granite City High School South and has a bachelor's degree in marketing from Illinois State University. She is employed at Famous Barr in St. Louis as a buyer.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Lexington High School and has a bachelor's degree in business administration from Southwest Missouri State University. He is employed by Storz Instrument Company of St. Louis as the director of sales and marketing for England.

The couple is planning a March 6, 1991, wedding at St. Pius V Church in St. Louis.



Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Proffitt
Proffitt-Holtkamp

Keri Ann Holtkamp and Phillip Anthony Proffitt were married Nov. 17, 1990, at Third Baptist Church, Granite City, by Elwyn Wilkinson, Jr.

The bride is the daughter of Gary and Connie Holtkamp of Granite City. The groom is the son of Ron and Pat Proffitt of Granite City.

The maid of honor was Cheryl Holtkamp of Granite City, sister of bride. The bridesmaids were Debbie Shaw, Linda Kuberski and Rachael Hahn, friends of bride.

The best man was George Proffitt of Novato, Calif., brother of groom. The groomsmen were Ken Foote, Dave Gushleff and Pat Griffith, friends of groom.

Ushers were Pat Sowell of Granite City, cousin of bride, and Steve Houston of Granite City, friend of groom.

A reception was held at Amvets Hall in Madison. After a wedding trip to Tar-A-Rest, the couple moved to Rapid City, S.D.

The bride is a 1987 graduate of Granite City Senior High School and is currently attending Nation College, Rapid City.

The groom is a 1986 graduate of Granite City Senior High School and is attending Black Hills State University part-time. He is employed by United States Air Force and stationed at Ellsworth AFB at Rapid City, S.D., as an information management specialist.



James Fletcher and Linda Cook
Cook-Fletcher

James D. Fletcher, son of Max and Lynn Fletcher of Granite City, and Linda Cook, daughter of Louise and Jack Cook of St. John, Mo., have announced their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

The bride-to-be is a 1985 graduate of Ritenour High School; she is also a graduate of the Hickey Business School. She is currently employed by the Dial Corporation of St. Louis.

Her fiancé is a 1984 graduate of Granite City High School and the Mallinckrodt School of Radiology. He is currently employed by the Mallinckrodt Department of Radiology at Barnes Hospital.

An October wedding is planned.



Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hemken

Bill Hemkens observe 60th

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hemken of Granite City celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at a dinner and dance Dec. 8 at the Fraternal Order of Eagles Home, 2558 Madison Ave. Hemken, a native of Granite City, and the former Norma McCarty were married on Dec. 7, 1930, in Chester.

They have lived in the community since their marriage. More than 200 friends and family members attended the anniversary party. Both honorees are members of Eagles Aerie 1126 and Auxiliary.

They are the parents of Wilbert Norman Hemken of Granite City and Herman Eugene Hemken of Tullahoma, Tenn.

The Hemkens also have grandchildren and great-grandchildren.



Donna Gargac and Mark Tippet

Gargac-Tippet

Donald and Mary Ann Gargac of Granite City are announcing the engagement of their daughter, Donna Marie, to Mark Tippet, son of Dale and Shirley Tippet of Okawville, Ill.

The bride-to-be is a 1988 graduate of St. Elizabeth Academy in St. Louis. She is employed at the Division of Veterans Affairs regional office as a clerk-typist.

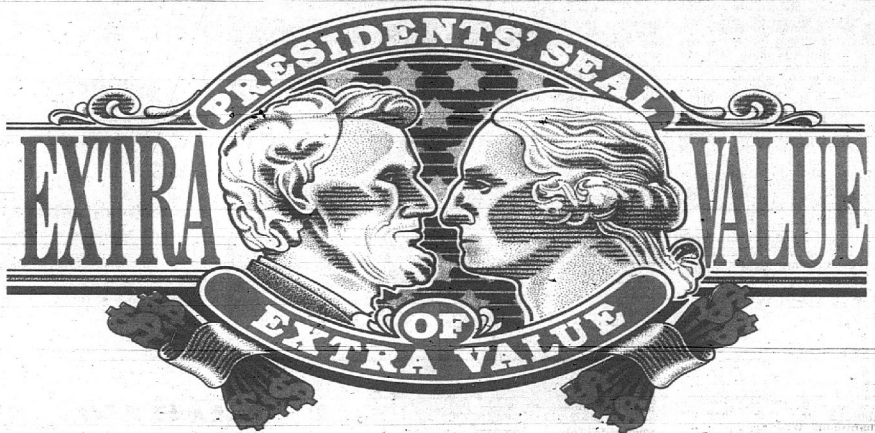
Her fiancé is a 1986 graduate of Okawville Community High School. He is employed at the U.S. Army Reserve, attached to the 10th Payos Battalion.

The wedding ceremony and Mass will be June 15 at Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City.

How to submit your articles

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DuFrains celebrate 50th

Mr. and Mrs. Carl (Edna) DuFrain of Granite City celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Dec. 23.

A reception was held at the home of the couple.

Carl DuFrain and the former Edna Nichols were married Dec. 23, 1940, in St. Charles, Mo.

DuFrain retired after 33 years at Granite City Steel.

The DuFrains are the parents of two children, Mrs. Donald (Pat) Golden and Mrs. Randy

(Sandy) Smith, both of Granite City. The couple has three grandchildren, Jeff Golden, and Andy and Danny Smith.

Those attending were: Ed and Pauline Nichols of Granite City; Oliver and Gerry Nichols of Belleville; Randy, Sandy and Danny Smith of Granite City; Andy Smith of Phoenix, Ariz.; Don, Pat, Jeff and Kim Golden of Granite City; Mike Nichols of Collinsville; and Joyce Fox of Granite City.

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Auxiliary honors member

At the Ladies Auxiliary of the Long Lake Volunteer Fire Department on Feb. 7, Evelyn Ringering was presented a gold bracelet with an engraved charm for more than 20 years of service in the Ladies Auxiliary of L.V.F.D.

The group met at the fire hall, with President Diane Naney presiding. "The Lord's Prayer" opened the meeting and nine members answered roll call.

Secretary Johnna Dean read minutes of the 456th meeting and a financial report was made by Evelyn Ringering, stating that 1990 books were reviewed and accepted as required by the state.

The Food for Funeral Committee reported serving the family and friends of retired firefighter Les Wilkerson, who died in January.

Food items for the auxiliary to serve at the Madison County Hall and costs were discussed. Work groups will be changed in the future.

Ladies Nite Out Chairman Dean announced that the event will be held in May, with a destination to be announced at a later date.

The auxiliary authorized money to purchase a new hair piece for their Christmas suit, and to order paper supplies. At April's monthly meetings of the auxiliary, there will be a fund-raising project.

The By-Law Committee will revise Article XII, Section 1 and 11, of Auxiliary By-Laws and make necessary amendments for approval.

After the meeting, refreshments were served by Mabel Kennerly and Ringering to Etta Rutherford, Corine Kreher, Margaret Suggs, Diane Goodman, Teri Geahlen, Johnna Dean and Diane Naney.



"UNCLE SAM" Kendall Mayes of Springfield came dressed the patriot part for the dedication.

Local student in Oedipus Rex

Nicole Schneider of Granite City has been selected for the cast of the Culver-Stockton College production of "Oedipus Rex." The performances will be Feb. 28, March 1, and 2, at 7:30 p.m. in the J.E. and L.E. Mabey.

Butterfly members treated to dessert

Members of the Butterfly Card Club recently met at Jerry's Cafeteria for lunch and was treated to dessert by hostess Edith Ryan. Members adjourned to the hostess's home for pinocle. Prizes were awarded to Harriet Hoff, Lorraine McIlroy, Katie Hommert and Nell Talley, who also won the special prize. Hazel Rollins and Mary Lou Clauson were treated for their birthdays. Others in attendance were Juanita Rosenberg and Thelma Schmidt. Harriet Hoff will entertain in February.



DINNER, CATERED BY CHARLIE'S, is enjoyed by, from left: Pat Alexander, Barb Nemeth, Dennis Nemeth and three unidentified guests.

Elks

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decided to build on Maryville Road, Schrage said.

It was a decision members did not regret during the recent three days of celebration.

Saturday night's dignitaries included William Grimes of Mattoon, grand esteemed leading knight; Clyde Mertz of Granite City, acting grand esteemed lecturing knight; John Morlock of Belleville, special deputy to the G.E.K. Mike Manning, Illinois Elks Association third vice president and grand chaplain; and Elmer Shafer of Duquoin, grand exalted and past state president.

Among political guests attending were U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Belleville; county Sheriff Bob Churchich; county zoning director Paul Hawkins; Metro East Sanitary District President Walter "Shang" Greathouse; county Chairman Nelson Hagauer; state Rep. Sam Wolf, D-Granite City; and state Sen. Sam Vadalabene, D-Edwardsville.

Granite City Elks Lodge 1063, with 409 members, serves a wide radius beyond Granite City.

Members come from Edwardsville, Collinsville and elsewhere. There are only three Benevolent and Protective Orders of Elks in the immediate area east of the Mississippi — the others being in Fairview Heights and Belleville. Elks members estimate 80 percent of the membership is from Granite City.

Past Grand Exalted Ruler Robert Sabin of Arlington Heights was a special guest Saturday night, and he gladly touted the work of the Elks. "We give out more scholarships than anybody except the U.S. government," he said. "And we don't ask for the money back. We just ask that the students go on to do something good for somebody else."

Sabin said Elks lodges in various states have different themes of charitable assistance. Elks in Illinois, for instance, dedicate their efforts to raising money for crippled children. Last year, Elks raised \$84 million for crippled children," he said.

Locally, Elks have a number of projects. Loyal Knight Bob Mezargos of Granite City, who is district drug awareness chair-

man, has built that aspect of the program substantially the last couple of years.

Elks also have a Teenager of the Month Award, in which they salute the work of one male and female student chosen by Granite City District 9. A top teen of the year is then chosen.

"We have a youth activities program which encompasses everything from an Eagle Scout program to an Explorer post to 18 soccer teams to softball/baseball programs," Schrage said.

Annual activities include a Christmas party for the veterans and parties for children; an Americanism program, in which they host their annual Flag Day ceremony; a newspaper carrier citation program; and sending a delegation to march in the Illinois State Fair. "We also host a Law and Order night in which we invite all law enforcement officers from Madison County and treat them to a steak dinner," Schrage said.

If you're around in March, you'll also see one of the members masquerading as the Easter bunny to the enjoyment of children and nursing home residents, Schrage said.

Although it's complete on the inside, the location needs some minor exterior touches, including landscaping, Schrage said.

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\$6.50 if purchased at the door. Music will be by Terry Kratzky's "Facts 'O' Life" Band.

Door prizes have been donated from First Season's Merle Norman Cosmetics, Glik's, Hudson's Jewelry (Belleville), Baskin Robbins, The Den, Shoney's, Champions Wedding and Party Room, Logan's Sporting Goods,

Shirli K Floral Designs, and Hartman's Family Restaurant and Catering. Tickets may be purchased at the Business Office at EAC. Those who wish more information may call 931-0600.

Margaret Barr has returned to her home from St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where she has been a patient and undergone several operations since September.

GCC to host '50s and '60s dance

The student activities board of the Belleville Area College Granite City Campus will host Blast into the Past, a '50s and '60s dance, from 8 p.m. to midnight Friday, March 1.

The dance will be held at the Amvet Hall, Post 204, 1711 Kennedy Drive in Madison, and will feature music by the Facts 'O' Life Band.

Prizes will be awarded for the best '50s/'60s attire and also for the best dancers. Door prizes donated by Baskin Robbins, Champion's Wedding and Party

Room, The Den, First Season's, Glik's, Hartman's Family Restaurant and Catering, Hudson's Jewelry (Belleville), Logan's Sporting Goods, Merle Norman Cosmetics, Shirli K Floral Designs, and Shoney's will be given away.

Tickets are \$5 per person in advance and may be purchased at the Granite City Campus business office, 4950 Maryville Road, or for \$6.50 at the door. For information, call 931-0600 or toll free, 1-800-EAC-5131.

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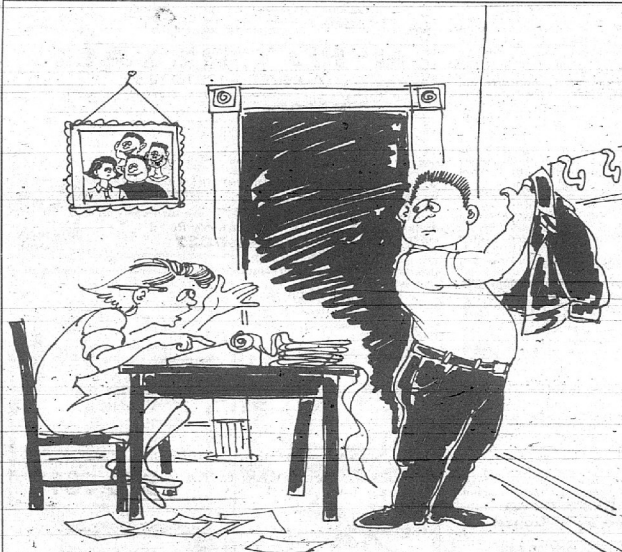
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Edgar also pledged to cut the student dropout rate in Illinois high schools, improve state preschool programs and increase parental involvement in the schools.

"I'm glad he placed as much emphasis on education as he did," Rep. Gary Hannig, D-Bend, said. "Edgar talked about how we haven't really done enough in the past for education and now it sounds like we will get something substantive done."

Rep. Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville, said he liked what the governor had to say about education and improving preschool programs. "But I hope it's not just a lot of rhetoric. We've heard plenty of lip-service in the past on these issues and I hope he's sincere."

The governor echoed many of the themes he campaigned on last fall but surprised some Democratic lawmakers when he called for bipartisan cooperation in drawing new election district boundaries and placing caps on medical malpractice financial awards.

"We could approach reapportionment as we have traditionally done," Democratic against Republican, Edgar said. "Let's face it, though, we are at a standstill. A Democratic-controlled legislature and a Republican governor."

The Legislature is required to draw new election district boundaries every decade to reflect population changes. If the governor does not agree with the map drawn by the Legislature, he can veto it, as happened in 1981. In that case, a name is drawn out of a hat to determine who — the Democrats or Republicans — will draw the final map.

I think it's interesting that he called for Democratic and Republican to work together on reapportionment," Rep. Monroe, D-Cahokia, said. "It makes good press but it's totally unrealistic."

The Democrats are unlikely to give up any of their power in the General Assembly on an issue as important as reapportionment for the sake of bipartisanship, Flinn said.

Flinn also said Edgar's request for limits on medical malpractice awards would have little chance of passing the General Assembly. The Illinois Trial Lawyers' Association has traditionally opposed similar proposals and that has been enough to ensure their defeat, he said.

"The Trial Lawyers are a very influential group and if they oppose it, it's not going anywhere," Flinn said.

The governor also said he would support Senate President Philip Brick's call to move the primary election date from March to September.

"I worked hard to win the office I now hold," Edgar said. "But it took a year and a half of solid campaigning to do it and I can say one thing with certainty — political campaigns are far too long in Illinois."

The governor also criticized the state's past performance in attempting to create jobs and industry to Illinois. He promised to concentrate on nourishing home-grown businesses, and opposed to bringing firms in from the outside.

Watson lauded Edgar's proposal, saying, "His attitude toward business is encouraging. In the past, we've had tax jobs with tax incentives and the like."

"But if we would just make changes in our workers compensation and employers liability laws, businesses would be willing to locate in Illinois."

In addition to calls for medical malpractice award limits, the governor also called for changes in the state's product liability laws to make Illinois "growth friendly."

Trivia

More than half of employed Americans believe that dating in the workplace is acceptable, according to a recent survey conducted by the Gallup Organization. The survey said 57 percent believed it was an acceptable practice, 36 percent believed it was unacceptable.

Jury

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On Tuesday, Joyce O'Donnell, policy on O'Donnell prompted the investigation. The beneficiary of that policy has not been released by investigators.

The Journal has learned that some of those who will testify include: Joyce O'Donnell, O'Donnell's widow; Donald Soffer, executor of O'Donnell's \$800,000 estate; and a prominent real estate developer from St. Louis; Charles Stegmeyer Jr., a Bellevue attorney; and O'Donnell's brother-in-law, and Anthony Tumminello, a St. Louis attorney who represented O'Donnell on several land deals.

On Tuesday, Joyce O'Donnell confirmed she, as well as Stegmeyer, will testify.

"My big curiosity is how and why this all started," O'Donnell said. "I'd like to get down to the bottom of this."

Tumminello's testimony could solve the mystery behind a pair of wills O'Donnell wrote two years ago but filed just two weeks apart.

Tumminello was named executor in the first will and on Wednesday confirmed he was supposed to appear before the grand jury.

A will O'Donnell wrote in February 1988 was filed Dec. 20, 1990, a month after O'Donnell died.

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The newer will named Soffer as executor and gave him control of a five-year trust for Joyce O'Donnell.

On Wednesday, Tumminello refused to say who filed the first will. Others involved in the case similarly have refused comment.

Published reports show Gary Fears, a former Granite City area resident, took out a \$100,000 life insurance policy on O'Donnell. Fears's son, Victor Fears, was the beneficiary.

Fears also is also being investigated for a land deal he allegedly orchestrated in O'Fallon. One of the key investors in the one-acre strip of property is Donald Soffer, published reports have shown.

Investigators with the State Police and Coorsville Police are checking out whether O'Donnell's death was a suicide or homicide.

"This is a very complicated case and we expect it to last quite some time," Collinsville Police Chief David Neubauer said Wednesday. "There are a lot more players than those mentioned by the media."

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Obituaries

Miller
Louis E. Miller, 86, of Granite City died Wednesday, Feb. 13, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He had been in the hospital five days.

Born Dec. 14, 1904, in Detroit, he lived there most of his life. He was employed at Letts Forge, Detroit, as a drop-forging hammerman for 25 years, retiring in 1974.

A resident of Granite City since 1983, he was of the Catholic faith.

Survivors include a stepson, Archie Brazier, Allen Park, Mich.; a stepdaughter, Margie McAllister, Naples, Ill.; four brothers, Frank Miller of Ottville, Mich., and Charles, Elmer and George Miller, all of Granite City; one sister, Grace McLaughlin; and two grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Anna Miller, in 1982 and by his parents, Joseph and Anna (Dudik) Miller.

Visitation will be held from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday at Davis Funeral Home, 21st Street and Cleveland Boulevard, where services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Saturday by the Rev. Finian McMullin. Burial will be at Calvary Cemetery, Edwardsville.

The family suggests memorials to the American Heart Association.

Paul Jones

Paul E. "Doc" Jones, 75, of Granite City died at 8:13 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 12, 1991, in the emergency room at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He had been ill since November.

Born Sept. 1, 1915, in Springfield, Mo., he was a lifetime resident of Granite City. Mr. Jones was a self-employed insurance salesman for 25 years, retiring in 1981, and was a member of Trinity Methodist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Lois (Kinney) Jones; three daughters, Lois Lee Meyenburg and Kathryn "Kitty" Voss, both of Granite City; and Margaret Will of Edwardsville; two sons, Billy E. Jones and Fred P. Jones, both of Granite City; two sisters, Helen Moore of Granite City and Mrs. Robert Cooper of Hemphill, Texas; as well as nine grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Shelby S. and Carrie (Groves) Jones.

Visitation will be today from 4 to 8 p.m. at Irvin Chapel, 2801 Madison Ave., where services will be held Friday at 10:30 a.m. with the Rev. Don DeJarnett officiating. Burial will be at Valley View Cemetery, Edwardsville.

Thomas Staicoff

Thomas L. Staicoff, 56, of Phoenix, Ariz., formerly of the Quad City area, died at 7:58 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, 1991, at his residence. He had been ill for some time.

He was a former mayor (Village Board president) of Pontoon Beach and served as treasurer of the former East Side Levee and Sanitary District starting in 1985.

The initial mayor when Pontoon Beach was organized in 1963, he continued in that office into the 1970s. He described the village as the fastest growing community in Metro East, and developed policies for "progress without a village property tax."

Born Aug. 3, 1934, in Madison, Mr. Staicoff moved to the Pontoon Beach area in 1960. He served as manager of the Baile Construction Co. and in 1961 became self-employed in real estate and landscaping.

He attended Granite City schools and Southern Illinois University and was a past member of Eagles Aerie 1128, the Korean War Veterans, the Nameki Methodist Church and the Nameki Youth/Adult Community Service.

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First Presbyterian Church deacons discuss plans

The Deacons of First Presbyterian Church met Feb. 4 at 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. The meeting was called to order by Jolene Scott. The Rev. Joan Marshall read Psalms 112: 4-9 and offered opening prayer.

Those attending were: Charles Cross, LeRoy Ebrecht, Zig Konieczny, Barbara Landis, Carol Miller, Diane Wheeler, Jo Ann Burcky, Jack DeCoursey, Gladys Fuhrman, Melissa Gray, Ginny Harrison, Jim Hearon, Deborah Johnson, Charles Jones, Norma Macios, Lula Mills, Anna May Moore, Betty Schmiedake, Kathleen Schooley and Jolene Scott. Burcky, Fellowship and Care Committee, thanked everyone for delivering Christmas gifts to shut-ins. She also thanked her committee for the support they provided for the congregational dinner. Easter gifts will be

Cub Pack 28 has Pinewood Derby

Pack 28, chartered to Charlotte Charbonnier State Farm Insurance Agency, held its Pinewood Derby recently at Parkview School. The meeting was opened by Den 3.

Winners of the race were: 7-year-olds, Justin Kaminski; 8-year-olds, first-Dustin Ross, second-BJ Coffelt, third-Randy Whitehead, alternate-Zachary Giese; 9-year-olds, first-Tim Shelton, second-Steven Schroeder, third-Phil Hunka, alternate-Dean Schannott; 10-year-olds, first-Joe Byrd, second-Mark Thomas, third-Jason Koenig, alternate-David Callis.

Serving as judges were, Larry Dellamano, Lynn Wright and Ed Boone. Assisting at the table were J. Wyatt, Jim Jones, Fred Shelton, John Vasquez and Bill Dimitroff. The starter was Drew Anderson, district executive.

Cub Master Pat Foote presented the following scouts with awards: Joy Byrd, Arrow of Light, three-year service pin, perfect attendance pin, citizen, aquanaut, handyman, readyman and compass point emblem; Billy Carpenter, popcorn prize; Zachary Giese, four silver arrows; Nathan White, one-year service pin; Shirley Byrd, three-year service pin; Jeff Klee, scholar, forester, compass point; Mark Thomas, forester, compass point emblem; Nathan Bain, sportsman; Mitchell Goldenberg, family member, sportsman; Phil Hunka, family member, handyman, naturalist; Dean Schannott, sportsman; Steven Schroeder, family member, handyman, sportsman; Tim Shelton, family member, sportsman; Mat Rousita, sportsman; and Jason Lemler, fitness, showman. Webelos Den 2 Leader Mark Goldenberg explained the citizen activity badge. Citizen, scholar, fitness and showman emblems were presented to all Den 2 members who had been signed up since the beginning of the year.

available at the March meeting and they are to be delivered March 25 to 29.

She reported that almost one full year of visitation had been completed and asked for comments regarding the visitation. She explained to the new deacons that teams of two signed up for two two-week stints of visitation to homebound and hospitalized members.

Initiating a call system for homebound persons was discussed and a task force was set up with Konieczny as chairman. Those serving with him are Moore, Hearon, Fuhrman, Harrison and Macios. Since Marshall is familiar with the program she will work closely with it.

Schmiedake reported on the memorial dinner committee which she will chair this year. Specific guidelines have been initiated and will be published in FirstPress. Landis made a motion and DeCoursey seconded it that memorial luncheons be provided using the guidelines specified.

Thank you notes for remembrances were read from Myrtle

Dillie and Nora Stallings. Gray, Evangelism and Outreach Committee, reported that an item had been inserted in the February FirstPress asking members interested in receiving Presbyterian Survey magazine to call the church office. It was decided this opportunity should be voiced during a future worship service. Two letters of thanks from Phoenix Crisis Center for cash and personal items were read.

DeCoursey Service Committee, thanked those who came to pack and deliver Christmas baskets. When he asked for help in setting up communion for Sunday's worship service, Jones, Fuhrman and Cross volunteered.

Scott reminded deacons that Harrison is in charge of publicity and items regarding church activities should be taken to her as soon after the event as possible.

Marshall circulated summaries of the joint officer training meeting held on Jan. 28. She asked deacons to note the last section, "What Shall We Do?" They were asked to prayerfully consider

these opportunities for future mission in Granite City.

Marshall introduced the opportunity to order material promoting mental health awareness — "The Congregation: A Community of Care and Healing." She invited deacons to read the information and determine whether this material would be useful to our congregation.

Dacons were reminded of the Feb. 24 Cherry Pie Festival Melodrama and Variety Show which the youth are planning.

The next business meeting will be March 4.

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I sincerely wish you all the best and I take comfort in knowing that your medical care remains in good hands.

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Woman recipient of Americanism Medal

Tomea Kirchoff is the recipient of the national DAR Americanism Medal.

She received the medal from the members of Drusilla Andrews chapter NSDAR at its annual Good Citizens Tea at which time the chapter also recognized local high school good citizens.

Tomea Loman Kirchoff was born in Bonitza, a small Macedonian village that is now part of Northern Greece. The Balkan Wars forced the family to leave. They arrived at Ellis Island on April 15, 1915, and two days later arrived at the 20th Street train station in Granite City.

Kirchoff entered Washington Elementary School at the age of 7 and was expected to learn English as she participated with the other children.

Sophia Prather and Clara Needles, DAR members, helped the immigrants with citizenship classes and taught the children English at the Community House in Lincoln Place.

Under Prather's tutelage, Kirchoff became a citizen at the age of 21 in a naturalization ceremony held at the City Hall in Granite City in 1929. She graciously served as a witness many years for her friends and neighbors as they became American citizens.

Kirchoff remains active in the community. She has been a member of the Macedonian Bulgarian Ladies Aid Society for 65 years and its president for 25 years.

She has served as president of the Opti-Mrs. and was the first president of the Holy Trinity Sisterhood when it was organized 45 years ago. She is a charter member of the Old Six Mile Historical Society and a 30-year member of both the Garden Club and the Oaklawn Neighborhood Group.

She served as president of the Macedonian People's Organization, Easton Craft Ladies, has been a member for 65 years and has attended national Macedo-



Tomea Kirchoff

nian conventions. She supports the publication of the *Macedonian Tribune*, the only free Macedonian paper in the world.

The DAR Americanism Medal Award was established in February 1968 to honor an adult naturalized citizen. Recipients must have shown outstanding qualities of trustworthiness, leadership, patriotism and service. Actively assisting other aliens to become American citizens and participating in community affairs with emphasis on the foreign-born community is required of recipients of the Americanism award. Candidates must be approved by the state and national chairman.

Drusilla Andrews members also presented Kirchoff with an Americanism pin and a certificate signed by the NSDAR President General and National Americanism committee chairman.

Members of the Macedonian Bulgarian Ladies Aid Society and the Holy Trinity Sisterhood presented Kirchoff with a corsage and flowers.

The tea was attended by members of Drusilla Andrews Chapter NSDAR, family and friends of the honored guests.

PWP Chapter 470 meets at DAV Hall

Parents Without Partners Chapter 470 meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at the Disabled American Veterans Hall, 1417 19th St., starting at 7 p.m.

The organization primarily is a support group for persons going through divorce or widowhood, said Beverly Burns, a member.

Persons interested in joining or attending a meeting may call Burns at 877-5008 or Christine Hornberger, 931-3877, for additional information.



Peter 4:18 "Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator."

It will come as no surprise to most of our readers that Christians do suffer. This is not something God has hidden from us. We suffer with him, then we shall also reign with him. And we must be careful not to believe that God lets us suffer with disease, and afflictions, and death. Remember, it is not God's will that any should perish. Jesus came that we might have life and have it more abundantly. Apostle Peter reminds us to suffer according to the will of God.

One truth of this matter is, of course, that many Christians are suffering at the hands of Satan and are wondering if, or praying God to, or thinking that God is punishing them for some sin. Wrong! Suffering, disease, affliction, must be "willed" by God's Father. Free your authority over Satan. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. After your deliverance, then praise God. Let us have the mind of Christ. Let us suffer according to God's will. Commit your souls to him to keep and keep trusting God, as a faithful Creator. Remember, God is just and will not pervert you. He is just above what you are able to endure. Trust in God and keep doing well. Have a good week.

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Legion Auxiliary Juniors meet in Columbia

The 22nd District American Legion Auxiliary Juniors met Feb. 6 in Columbia.

The Columbia Unit 581 served lunch to 22 juniors and nine seniors. A business meeting was conducted by Kirsten Yobly of Venice-Madison Unit 307, who is the 22nd District Junior president.

Reports were given by each unit present: Columbia 581; Granite City 113; New Douglas 710; and Venice-Madison 307.

All groups reported making tray favors for the veterans in hospitals and one group helped with a bingo at Jefferson Baracks Nursing Home.

The state conference will be held in Champaign on April 28. Two members of 22nd District plan to seek state offices.

They are Angela Zimmerman for president from New Douglas; and Kristi Kish for vice president from Columbia.

A tour of Cahokia Mounds facilities will be held at 1 p.m. March 2. Venice-Madison 307 Juniors will host the afternoon.

Plans were made to have a bingo party for the residents of SAVE in Belleville on May 18 at 1 p.m.

An attendance prize was won by Lisa Garcia of Columbia. After the meeting the girls

bowled two games at Westpark Bowling Center in Columbia. Trophies were presented in the following age groups: 3 to 7 — Chelsey Porey of Granite City; 8 and 9 — Amber Singleton of Granite City; and 10 to 16 — Keri Menendez of Venice-Madison.

Others attending from this area were: Amanda Foley, Reda Lindsey and Courtney Bosworth, all of Venice-Madison Unit 307; Alicia Coates, Rhonda Ballard, Cathy Moreland, Christy Ballard, Kaleigh Peery and Ashley Singleton, all of Granite City Unit 113.

Announcement

Unfortunately, Dr. Timothy Pratt is leaving the Tri-City area.

The following physicians, are offering their services to his patients:

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Dr. G. Baggot	Family Practice	452-4150
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Dr. L. Harmon	Internal Medicine	876-4700
Dr. R. Hartzel	Internal Medicine	852-8600
Dr. A. Khan	Family Practice	876-2273
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Dr. P. Kumar	Internal Medicine	877-3066
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Dr. A. Razzaq	Internal Medicine	876-8214

All of the above physicians are associated with St. Elizabeth Medical Center

Noonday Opti-Mrs. meet

The Noonday Opti-Mrs. met Jan. 21 at Havanna's with 13 members present. President Myra Parrish presided.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved by secretary Dorothy McCauly. Letters were read from Protestant Welfare and Catholic Charities, thanking the groups for the generous Christmas donations.

The treasury report was read and approved. An invitation was read from the Lutheran Medical School of Nursing for the capping ceremony of our nurse, Cheryl Stacey.

Games were played and prizes were won by Georgia Engkeke, Louise Anderson, Mildred Branding and Marge O'Neill. The next meeting is on Feb. 18.

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Wrestling

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be considered the top 135-pounder in the area during the season. Wrestling the competition I did this year should help me tremendously.

"Chris and Jerry should do better their first time out at state," King said. "They're a year older than I was, and that's a big advantage. It's tough going up there as a sophomore."

Scheffer will experience those growing pains this season. As a sophomore, Scheffer surprised himself by winning a regional and sectional championship.

"I had a good season, but I never thought I was going to win championships in the post-season," he said. "I lost to some good wrestlers during the year and expected them to be tougher in the tournaments. I never dreamed of going to state, but I

got a few breaks and earned my chance."

"I'm a little nervous, though. That's why I listened to Ryan all season about the state tournament and the effect it can have on you. My biggest worry is wrestling in front of the large crowds. But I've wrestled in front of people during the season, so it shouldn't affect me once I'm into the match. My main objective is to gain some experience for next year."

"I've got a lot of confidence in these guys," Garland said. "They're going into the tournament with the right attitude. If they can get a couple of breaks, it could vault them into a lofty position."

"This is a big feather in our cap. The program is turning itself around. (For the last three years) we only sent one guy to

state. I hope we can build off this for the future."

NOTES: Garland sent only one wrestler to state in each of his first three seasons — King last year, and Brent Davis in 1988 and 1989. Davis finished third at 125 pounds as a senior in 1989.

The Warriors sent four — Paul Brandt, Rich Wilson, Jon Morgan and Davis) in 1987, Walt Whitaker's last season as coach. Granite City has gained a share of the Southwestern Conference title with Belleville West. The Warriors gained the co-championship when Tracy Sanborn of West was ruled academically ineligible against Belleville East. Forfeiting his match cost the Maroons that dual meet and dropped them into a first-place tie with Granite City. Both teams finished 3-1 in SWC dual meets.

points per game. Ransom also leads the Tigertettes with 10 rebounds per game, while the Maroons' leading rebounder, Lynn Crawley (8.7), is questionable for the game with a hip injury.

NOTES: Lincoln has gone to state eight times, including last year. Earnest Higgins coached them to five straight berths in 1979-83. The 1980 team, featuring Jackie Joyner, won the state title with a 31-0 record. They also finished second twice.

Showdown

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coln 37-33 in the Duchesne Tournament finals Jan. 4. A sloppy performance by the Tigertettes turned the trick for the Maroons. Lincoln has been waiting almost six weeks for their chance to even the score.

"We're determined to beat them this time around," said Angenette Sumrall. "We just played a sloppy game the last time we met. But the loss woke us up. At the time, we felt we were invincible. Now we know that not being prepared to play

could not only cost us the game, but the season."

Lincoln is the top offensive team in the area (75.5 points per game) while West averages 58.1 points. Lincoln is also No. 1 in defense (33.4), with an average margin of victory near 40 points, putting them in a class with UNLV in that regard. West is second in defense (35.7), so a lower score should help the Maroons.

Lincoln's Raquel Ransom is the area's leading scorer at 22.7 points per game. Marlene Triefenbach leads West with 16.2

Scoreboard

GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT		Middle Age Ninja Turtles		Scores	
Man's Basketball		C. Pallas/Flood Reals		Purpleness '88, Young Guns 74	
Jacobson's	19-2	Sports Tap 43, Granite Sheet Metal 40		Black Sheep 73, Remington's 69	
N.A.S.	15-4	Had Best 111, Chilo 34		Ruby's Bakery 45, Granite Gunners 39	
Boys	2-10	Cat Daddy's 58, Pallas/Flood 59		3rd & 4th Grade Basketball	
Jacobson's 10, Bundy's 2		GC Netters 100, Middle Age Ninja Turtles 84		Brutus	
N.A.S. vs. Hook's 2		Thursday Blue		Illini	
Cord Volleyball		Jacobson's	8-2	Rebels	
Subway	25-5	Premier Bricklayers	9-3	Wildcats	
Team Sky	10-11	Electric Mad Puppies	6-4	Netters	
Dinks, Dinks and Dinks	12-12	Savanna Chiropractic	5-5	Scores	
Boys	10-11	Quicks	4-6	Illini 7, Netters 6	
M.S.I.	12-18	Hopkins	9-10	Brutus 10, Rebels 4	
Sports Tap	9-21	Jacobson's 58, Quicks 42	7-2	Rebels vs. Wildcats 7	
Ernie & Anna's	2-30	Savanna Chiropractic 58, Hopkins 41	7-2	5th & 6th Grade Basketball	
Scores		Premier Bricklayers 51, Electric Mad Puppies 72	4-3	Brutus	
Team Sky 16-6-15, Dinks, Dinks & Dinks 14-15-11		Thursday Red		Rebels	
Subway 15-11-15, Bundy's 1-15-8		Purpleness	4-3	ONLY	
Subway 15-13, Team Sky 3-13 (Subway wins playoffs)		Ruby's Bakery	4-3	Three Musketeers	
GC Netters	8-1	Granite Gunners	4-5	Warriors	
Cat Daddy's	4-2	Young Gunners	4-5	Illini	
Boys	4-2	Remington's	4-5	Scores	
Granite Sheet Metal	4-4	Rebels	4-6	Warriors 14, UNLV 8	
Sports Tap	4-5			Three Musketeers 2, Bulls 18	
Boys	2-7			Rebels vs. Illini 3	

GCHS Boosters meet on Monday

The Granite City High School Warrior Boosters Club will hold its monthly meeting Monday. The meeting will be in the high school cafeteria at 7:30 p.m. All parents are urged to attend.

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Romance abounds on video shelves for all ages

If you want to follow up the romantic theme set by Vanden-
dine's Day, why not have Mich-
elle Pfeiffer serenade you with
"My Funny Valentine" in "The
Fabulous Baker Boys" (1989,
International Video Entertainment,
\$89.98).

Pfeiffer is such an alluring
chanteuse that she stole most of
last year's film critics' awards
from Jessica Tandy (Driving
Miss Daisy) by playing the
woman who comes between two
musician brothers (Jeff and
Beau Bridges).

Here is a list of other good
love stories with happy end-
ings—for the most part—that
might help keep that warm
romantic glow alive for awhile.
"Bull Durham" (1988, Orion,
\$19.98) is for viewers who want a
slightly rowdy, no-holds-barred
approach to love. Baseball nut
Susan Sarandon takes on Kevin
Costner and Tim Robbins and
conquers both of them in this
tale of a minor-league baseball
team.

For love in the big city,
there's Amy Irving's quest for



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Mr. Right in "Crossing Delan-
cey" (1988, Warner, \$19.98), a
charming adaptation of Susan San-
dler's play that ends sweetly.

A more bittersweet ending
concludes "The Way We Were"
(1973, RCA/Columbia, \$19.98), a
beautifully executed weeper star-
ring Barbra Streisand and Rob-
ert Redford. She starts liking
him at college in the '60s, wins
him in New York in the '80s, then
loses him in Hollywood.

Streisand gets to sing the title
song by Oscar-winner Alan and
Marilyn Bergman and Marvin
Hamlisch.

To experience old romantic
hogwash, check out the absurd
amnesia plot of MGM's super-
glossy "Random Harvest" (1942,
MGM/UA, \$29.98). A hit dur-

ing World War II, it's the story
of a debonair husband (Ronald
Colman) who returns from the
World War I without his memo-
ry, forcing his unlikely wife
(Greer Garson) to take a job as
his secretary and make him fall
in love with her all over again.
When Colman takes a shine to
another woman (Susan Peters),
Garson suffers noble. Have your
handkerchiefs ready.

A good cry also ends "Robin
and Marian" (1976, RCA/Colum-
bia, \$29.98), which pairs Sean
Connery with Audrey Hepburn.
Getting the jump on Kevin Cost-
ner, whose "Robin Hood" update
is due this spring, Connery plays
a middle-aged Robin, coming to
claim Hepburn's Maid Marian
from the convent she retreated to.
Robert Shaw plays the sheriff
of Nottingham, a sore loser.

Divorce Capital Reno, Nev., is
the setting of "Desert Hearts"
(1986, Vestron, \$29.98), a voyage
of self-discovery for an uptight
English professor (Helen Shaver)
who travels west to obtain a
quickie divorce. Languishing in
the desert, she finds a casino

employee (Patricia Charbon-
neau) who turns her life upside
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"Super Sunday: A History of
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the game between the New York
Giants and Buffalo Bills already
have been added to this compila-
tion. Also available at the same

price are 1990 Video Yearbooks
of the Giants and the Bills.
"Quick Change" (1990, Warn-
er, \$29.98): An amiable bank-
robbery comedy boosted by the
flaky appeal of its star and co-
director, Bill Murray, along with
Randy Quaid and Geena Davis.

Grammy-nominated artist to play

Grammy-nominated pianist,
composer-arranger Frank Man-
tooth will lend his talents to
Belleville Area College during
"Jazz Up February," a week of
jazz performances at the Bel-
leville Campus.

"Jazz Up February" is spon-
sored by BAC's Music Depart-
ment and College Activities
Office.

Mantooth will conduct an open
rehearsal, free to the public, at
7:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 15, in
the campus Theater with the
BAC Jazz Lab Band, under the
direction of instrumental music
instructor Jerry Bole.

On Saturday, Feb. 16, Man-
tooth will serve as clinician for
the college's Jazz Festival on
Saturday, Feb. 16.

The festival, which will not be
competitive, is scheduled to fea-
ture up to 10 high school and
junior high jazz bands. Mantooth
will critique each band. Bands
will be presented with cassette
tapes of their performances
along with comments from Man-
tooth.

Schools participating are to
include Belleville Township High
School West, Gibault High
School, Valmeyer High School,
and Mascoutah High School.

At 5 p.m. following the Jazz
Festival, Mantooth will perform
in concert with the Jazz Lab
Band. The festival and concert

are both free.

Other "Jazz Up February"
programs include:
Wednesday, Feb. 13 —
Southern Illinois University at
Edwardsville Jazz Band will per-
form at 7:30 p.m. in the Bel-
leville Campus Theatre. The con-
cert is free.

Mantooth's first album, "Suite
Tooth" received Grammy nomi-
nations in three categories and a
four-star review in the April 1990
"Down Beat" magazine.

He is working on the release of
his second album, "Persevere,"
and publication of "The Best

Chord Changes for the World's
Greatest Jazz" for the Hal
Leonard Publishing Corp.

Recent writing commissions
have come from Illinois Music
Educators Association, the Army
Blues, saxophonist Pete Christ-
ie and drummer/bandleader
Louie Bellson.

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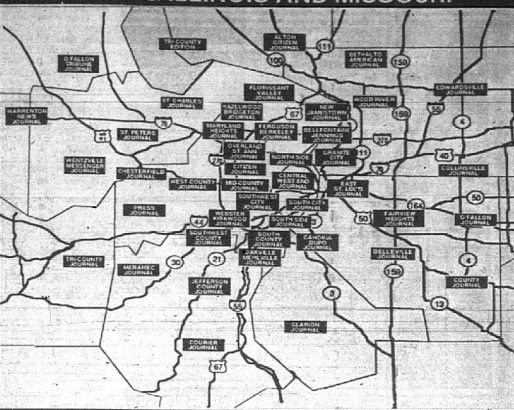
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Funeral services

Area deaths reported in this week's Sunday and Wednesday newspapers include:

BENNINGTON, Roy K. Sr., 92, of Granite City died at 4:45 a.m. Monday, Feb. 11, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Visitation was held Tuesday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, where services were conducted Wednesday by the Rev. Manuel Tamayo. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville.

FRENCH, Sidney, 75, of Granite City died at 9:10 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Visitation was held Tuesday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, where services were conducted Wednesday, with the Rev. Harold Maynard officiating. Burial was in Lake View Memorial Gardens, Belleville.

KIRKSEY, John Lewis, 69, of Granite City was found dead at 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 7, 1991, on Illinois 157 and East Chain of Rocks Road. Visitation was held Sunday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City. Funeral services were held Monday at the

funeral home, with the Rev. Fred Bozright officiating. Burial was in Valley View Cemetery, Edwardsville.

PERKINS, Alonzo Cornell, 82, of Granite City died Saturday, Feb. 9, 1991, at the Nightingale Manor nursing home in Tuscola, Ill. Visitation was held Monday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, where services were conducted Tuesday by the Rev. Alfred Daves. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville.

PRUDE, Charles Eugene Sr., 59, of East St. Louis died Sunday, Feb. 3, 1991, in St. Mary's Hospital. Funeral services were held Saturday at the Union Baptist Church, with Elder Carl E. Prude Sr. officiating. The Rev. H.H. Butler was the host pastor. Burial was in Sunset Gardens of Memory Cemetery, Madison, where services were held in charge of the arrangements.

SAUGET, Vincent Leo, 80, of Belleville, widely known in this area, died Friday, Feb. 8, 1991, at

St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville. Funeral services were private. Burial was in Mount Carmel Cemetery, Belleville. John Barnes Funeral Home in Belleville was in charge of arrangements.

SEIBOLD, Mildred E. (O'Neil), 84, of Granite City died at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 10, 1991, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She was in the hospital for six weeks and had been ill for a year. Services were held on Wednesday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, Granite City, with the Rev. Bob Jones officiating. Burial was in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates near Edwardsville.

WAGGONER, Floyd F., 72, of Granite City was pronounced dead at his home at 11:23 a.m. Friday, Feb. 8, 1991, by Deputy Coroner Loren Davis. Visitation was held Monday at Irwin Chapel, Granite City, where services were held Tuesday, with the Rev. Hugh Wallace officiating. Graveside services were held at Green Pond Cemetery, Pearl.

SIUE series focuses on spirituality

The Focus Series at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will address the topic, "Spirituality and Psychology," in an upcoming session on Feb. 20. Sponsored by the Office of Continuing Education, programs for the Focus Series meet Wednesdays from 10:11-30 a.m. in the Mississippi/Illinois Rooms at the University Center. The

series is designed for persons 55 years of age and older. Programs during winter quarter are concentrating on "The Changing Faces of Religion in America." The session will be led by Mark Markuly, Catholic lay minister at the campus Religious Center, and Milton Tober, psychology teacher at Belleville Area and McKendree Colleges.

"One of the most challenging growth areas of the world's religions is the dialogue of psychology and spirituality or piety," Markuly said.

For more information, call Reba Klenke in the SIUE Office of Education at 692-3210.

Professional Community Health Screenings provided by: St. Elizabeth Medical Center, in Granite City

Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., at the Wellness Center, 2103 Iowa, in Granite City. Appointments are required. Call 798-3201 to make an appointment.

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St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., Granite City, Illinois

Book hails vital mark blacks made in St. Louis history

By Jean Deen Correspondent

Black workers have helped shape Missouri history for more than 200 years, even since Philippe Renault brought in Haitians to work in the lead mines. In the St. Louis area, records of black achievements reach from St. Charles to Carondelet, and from the Riverfront to West County. But most records have been on gravesites, or in building, statues or songs, rather than in books.

Many contributions of black St. Louisans are now being researched, recorded and made more available for amateur historians.

St. Louis Black Heritage Trail," which identifies nearly 200 locations of special interest here, was written by John A. Wright, assistant superintendent of the Ferguson-Florissant School District. It was recently published by a state education agency for use in the schools and community.

The 92-page, paper-bound book has 100 maps and illustrations, 183 narrative entries and a two-page bibliography. Printing costs were funded by a state education grant, said Wright of University City.

"History is a hobby, rather than a major field of study for Wright, who said he writes to meet a need expressed by educators.

"In a teachers' workshop two summers ago, I taught a class on how to integrate the history 'into the curriculum,' Wright said.

In the course, Wright showed the teachers areas of St. Louis which recall black historical events.

"We took a bus trip to a number of locations, and talked about them. And we took a walking trip through the Ville area," he said. "So many in the class had never heard of these places."

Wright said he was inspired to record his knowledge in a book for classroom use and class excursions.

"I hope it will be used as a guide for field trips," he said, explaining that the book is laid out in geographical sections, with a map for each. Wright also photographed places of interest for the book.

In addition to the historical guide, Wright has written a book of short biographies, "No Crystal Stair—The Story of Thirteen Afro-Americans Who Once Called St. Louis Home." The book, published in 1989, has been widely used in city and county schools.

Some of the stories in "Black Heritage Trail" are of pioneers almost unknown today, but who made unique contributions to history.

African-American William Johnson was the only slave-master in the early 1830s who volunteered for the hazardous job of finishing the Basilica of St. Louis, King of France (known today the Old Cathedral). The job involved climbing the cathedral tower to place the last bellstone.

After completing the task, Johnson received the blessing of the Right Rev. Joseph Rosati, bishop of St. Louis.

A few yards north of the cathedral, a free black woman, Esther, became one of the first female landowners in the 1780s. She had petitioned for and received a plot known as a Spanish Land Grant. The St. Louis Association of Colored Women's Clubs placed a plaque at the site

in 1966. The bones of Jean Baptiste Point DuSable, another free black pioneer, rest unmarked in the St. Charles Borromeo Cemetery. DuSable had gone north of St. Louis, finally settling on the shores of Lake Michigan, where he is credited as being the first resident and businessman in the location now known as Chicago.

Having made a fortune there, he returned to St. Charles for his last years of life. His St. Charles home later belonged to Alexander McNair, first governor of Missouri.

Thirty miles south of St. Charles in the Jefferson Barracks Cemetery, are markers for soldiers of the 6888 Central Postal Directory, which lost 674 men during the Civil War.

In present Ballwin, blacks organized the first Baptist congregation (black or white) in Missouri, early in the 1800s. The church did not have a church building for many years, and the parishioners hid in grape arbors to worship, out of sight of vigilantes who tried to prevent the services.

Throughout the years, St. Louis blacks have had many more "firsts" to their credit, Wright said.

In 1847, the Rev. John Berry Meachum defied the Missouri prohibition against teaching blacks to read or write, by conducting a school on a "freedom boat" in federal territory—the middle of the Mississippi River.

The library on the boat, which was open to all, is considered to be St. Louis' first free public library.

In 1873, when a segregated school system was the law in Missouri, Sumner High School, named for the leading white abolitionist, Charles Sumner, became the first secondary school for blacks west of the Mississippi.

Sumner remained the area's

only secondary school for blacks, until the opening of Vashon in 1930. Sumner has occupied several locations before its present location at 4248 W. Cottage.

Twentieth century graduates of Sumner include author and activist Dick Gregory, tennis champion Arthur Ashe, and roll celebrities Chuck Berry and Tina Turner, opera stars Grace Bumbry and Robert McFerrin, and one of St. Louis' leading ladies, educator Julia Davis. The public library on Natural Bridge is named in her honor.

The St. Louis Argus, founded in 1911, is the oldest black newspaper in Missouri, and one of the oldest in the United States.

A list of school building names also makes an honor roll of black men and women of achievement: (Crispus) Attucks, the first American to give his life for the Boston Massacre of 1770; Benjamin Banneker, astronomer and one of the early architects who helped build Washington, D.C.; and George Washington Carver, a scientist.

Additional schools are named for Gen. Jean-Jacques Dessalines and Toussaint L'Ouverture, rebels whose revolution in Haiti influenced Napoleon's withdrawal from the New World and sale of the Louisiana Purchase to the United States; Frederick Douglass, orator and author; Alexandre Dumas, author; Paul Dunbar, poet; Bishop A. Healey and St. Martin de Porres, religious leaders; John Milton Turner, ambassador; Captain Wendell Purcell, World War II aviator hero; and Phyllis Wheatley, poet.

"Without the black story, a true picture of our community is incomplete," Wright wrote in the introduction to his book. "Hopefully some of their experiences which are shared in this publication will provide new insight into our area's heritage."

Legals

INVITATIONS FOR BIDS

Sealed proposals for Electrical Systems Renovations for the Madison County Housing Authority will be received at the Housing Authority's office at 1209 Olive Street, Collinsville, Illinois 62238 until 2:00 p.m. local prevailing time, March 7, 1991. Bids will be opened at the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners at 7:00 p.m. on that same date.

The work is to be paid for and the contract administered by the Madison County Housing Authority.

Monthly partial payments, in current funds, will be made to the Contractor for the total value of work completed to date and materials properly stored on the site, less 10% of the total amount, to be retained until final payment; and the amount of all previous payments.

Copies of the contract documents may be obtained after Feb. 13, through the Madison County Housing Authority, 1209 Olive Street, Collinsville, Illinois 62238, at \$34.50.

A certified check or bank draft payable to the order of the Madison County Housing Authority, negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (or equivalent), or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder, and on the bond, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid shall be submitted.

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By Paul Schuler, Executive Director

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12:00 - 2:00 p.m. - Private Consultations with a BRIDE'S editor	2:00 p.m. - Nearlywed Game
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